Reading 1 and 2 **You will need to login to

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1. Read Chapter one of 'The Tale Of The Ostrich and a very long neck.'

https://www.purplemash.com/app /serialmash/ostrich_and_a_very long_neck_ch1

Are there any words you don't know the meanings of? List them in your book and use a dictionary to find their meanings.

2. Complete 'What can you remember?' questions.

Spelling

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Practise these spellings. Write each one out three times then put each one into a sentence.

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children	after
sugar	Mrs
eue	parents

Grammar

Read part of the story below.

a) There are 4 missing full stops and 2 missing commas. b) Put a circle around words which should have a capital letter.

this is a story from the continent of africa it comes from a country called kenya the story was first told a long long time ago it is so old that when it was first heard there were no books no televisions and definitely no computers

Creative

Think about poor crocodile and his rumbly tummy. What would you suggest he eat?

Create a menu of meals that crocodile could choose from.
Could you describe each dish to make it sound delicious?

For example, Succulent salmon with crunchy, green reeds.



Writing

In the story, Ostrich was friends with all of the animals. Write about your best friend.

Describe what they are like and why they are your best friend.

What makes them special?

Week 2

Reading

Reread Chapter Two of 'The Tale Of The Ostrich and a very long neck.'

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Are there any words you don't know the meanings of? List them in your book and use a dictionary to find their meanings.

2. Complete 'What can you remember?' questions.

Spelling

Practise these spellings. Write each one out three times.

Challenge: Can you write all of the words into one paragraph?

wiiu	just
climb	last
could should	Christmas everybody

fact

Have a go!

bliver

Grammar

Look carefully at the sentences

Put a full stop or a question mark at the end of the sentences below.

Creative

Think about poor crocodile again! He seems to be having a lot of trouble with his teeth.

Could you write him a set of instructions telling him how to brush his teeth properly?

Writing

Crocodile Fact File

Find out least three facts about the crocodile. Maybe you could find out where they live, what they eat and how long they can live for? Write the facts as a fact file and then you could draw a picture of a crocodile too.

REMEMBER

Also, keep checking the '2Do's' section on Purple Mash for extra activities to have a go at!

Week 1, Chapter 1.

The Tale of Ostpich and a Very Long Neck Chapter 1

This is a story from the continent of Africa. It comes from a country called Kenya. The story was first told a long, long time ago. It is so old that when it was first heard, there were no books, no televisions and definitely no computers. Instead of books and televisions and computers, there were people called storytellers. These storytellers kept lots of different stories in their heads. It was their job to remember the stories and to tell them to people as a form of entertainment. Each time a story was told, it was a little bit different.

This is my telling of how the ostrich got its very long neck. Once upon a time, there was a bird called Ostrich. She had



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wings and feathers just like all the other birds. But there were things that made her different to other birds. She had very long legs and a short neck. And even though Ostrich was a bird, she could not fly! So, she lived on the ground, rather than in the trees or on the water like most other birds. Ostrich had many friends. In fact, she got on with everybody. She never ever thought bad things about other animals. In particular, she loved spending time with Antelope, Baboon and Eagle. She was happy to call everyone her friend, even dangerous Crocodile.

High above Ostrich, in the huge, blue African skies, lived Eagle. She loved nothing better than to flap her wings and fly far above the ground. She loved to soar on the warm African winds; over the mountains, over the enormous African plains and high above the rivers. Like Ostrich, Eagle was also friends with many animals.

One morning, Eagle was flying along, high above the river. She was keeping a look out for her friends. Because she could fly so high in the sky, she liked to watch over them and make sure they were safe.

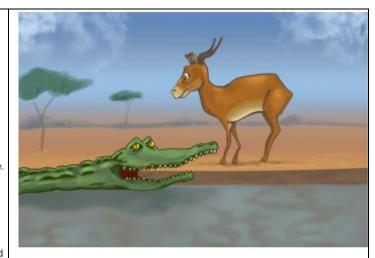
Far below, she spotted Crocodile swimming along in the river. Nearby, Antelope was eating grass close to the water's edge. Eagle knew that Crocodile could be a dangerous friend so she swooped down to see what was going on.

Crocodile had not had any breakfast and was feeling a little hungry. When he spotted Antelope standing by the side of the river, it gave him an idea.

"Good morning, Antelope!" Crocodile called out.
"Good morning, Crocodile," replied Antelope. "How are you?"
Crocodile gave a crafty smile. "Actually, Antelope, I am not very well this morning. I wonder if you might be able to help."
"Of course," said Antelope. "How can I help?"

"I've got terrible toothache," said Crocodile. "Do you think you could pull out the bad tooth with your horns?"

Antelope was happy to help and stepped close to the water's edge. Crocodile opened his mighty mouth very wide and



Antelope bent down to look for the bad tooth.

In the sky above, Eagle opened her eyes wide in horror. "Don't trust Crocodile!" Eagle cried out.

Antelope heard Eagle's cry and sprang away from the river, just as Crocodile's mighty mouth snapped shut!

"Thank you so much, Eagle!" Antelope shouted up to Eagle.

Eagle flapped her wings. "Always happy to help a friend," she said.

Crocodile looked up at Eagle with an annoyed stare. He let out a hungry sigh. Then he swam on up the river in search of something else to fill his rumbling tummy.

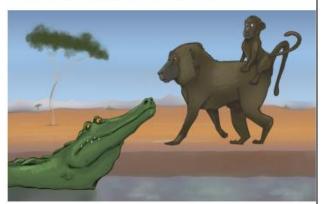
Week 1, Reading Activity 2

The Tale of Ostrich and a Very Long Neck - Chapter 1	Q3. Which animal lived high in the sky?
What can you remember?	Eagle
How well did you read Chapter 1?	Antelope
Can you choose the right answer to each question?	Ostrich
Put a 🗸 in the right box.	
Q1. Which continent is the story from?	Crocodile
Europe	Baboon
Africa	
Asia	
North America	
South America	
Q2. What country is the story from?	
Ethiopia	
Sudan	
Kenya	
South Africa	
Tanzania	

The Tale of Ostrich and a Very Long Neck Chapter 2

With a fed-up flick of his enormous tail, the hungry Crocodile continued on his way. Silently, he swam up the twisty river. He travelled round many bends. All the time, he was hidden from view in the deep dark water. Surely he would find something soon to make a tasty, breakfast treat, he thought. After a while, he peeped out of the water. Immediately, his heart lifted. There, by the side of the river, he spotted Baboon. Baboon had her baby on her back and was bending down for a drink of water.

"Baboon!" Crocodile cried. "How wonderful to see you on this lovely sunny morning. I hope you are well."



Baboon looked at Crocodile a little nervously. Quickly, she stepped away from the water's edge. She had heard that Crocodile could sometimes be rather sneaky as a friend. "Good morning, Crocodile," she replied. "How are you?" Crocodile opened his mighty mouth and flashed his most charming smile. His many teeth sparkled beneath the hot, Kenyan sun.

"Actually, Baboon, I am not very well this morning," Crocodile said. "I wonder if you might be able to help."

Baboon liked nothing better than to help others. She looked at Crocodile with concern. "I am so sorry to hear that you are not well, Crocodile. How may I help you?" she asked. "Oh, Baboon," he said. "I've got terrible toothache this morning. You would not believe how much a rotten tooth can ache.

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Do you think you could pull out my bad tooth with your long, sharp claws?"

Baboon did not like anyone to be in pain so she was keen to help. She looked down at her claws; it was true that they were long and sharp. Perhaps she could help Crocodile. "I will see what I can do," she said. With her baby held tightly on her back, she stepped back towards the water.

Crocodile gave a crafty smile and edged closer. He opened his mighty mouth as wide as he could. Baboon leant over the water and peered deep into Crocodile's mouth.

High above the river, in the huge, blue, African sky, Eagle was enjoying herself. She was swooping and soaring along on a warm, gentle breeze. Suddenly, she spotted Crocodile! She opened her eyes wide in horror when she saw Baboon looking inside Crocodile's mouth. Again, Eagle let out a loud shriek. "Baboon, Baboon! What are you doing? Come away from Crocodile as fast as you can. You cannot trust Crocodile. He wants to eat you and your baby for his breakfast!"

Baboon heard Eagle's cry and looked up with a start. She leapt away from Crocodile's mouth just as Crocodile's mighty jaws snapped shut! With her baby held tight, she sprang away from the river. She climbed back up into the safety



of the trees. She looked up into the sky where Eagle was watching. "Thank you so much, Eagle!" she shouted.
Eagle flapped her wings. "Always happy to help a friend," she called.

Crocodile looked up at Eagle with an angry stare. He let out a loud and hungry sigh. I do wish she would stop interfering with my breakfast, he thought. And with a fed-up flick of his enormous tail, he set off again in search of something to make a tasty breakfast.

The Tale of Ostrich and a Very Long Neck - Chapter 2	Q3. What was Baboon going to use to help Crocodile?
What can you remember?	Her feet Her nails
How well did you read Chapter 2?	Tier fialis
Can you choose the right answer to each question?	Her claws
Put a 🗸 in the right box.	Her feet
Q1. What was the weather like?	Her hands
Sunny	
Cloudy	Week 2, Grammar activity
Rainy	1. With a fed-up flick of his enormous tail, the hungry Crocodile
Snowy	continued on his way
Windy	2. "Good morning, Crocodile," she replied. "How are you_"
Q2. What did Crocodile tell Baboon he was suffering from?	 "I am so sorry to hear that you are not well, Crocodile. How may I help you"
Earache	4. "Do you think you could pull out my bad tooth with your long, sharp
Toothache	claws"
Backache	5. Crocodile gave a crafty smile and edged closer _
Stomach ache	_ ,
Headache	6. "Baboon, Baboon! What are you doing"